



EPA REGION 10 HONORS ATTORNEY FELLOWSHIP

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 (Seattle, Washington) Office of Regional Counsel is pleased to announce the 2013 Region 10 Honors Attorney Fellowship

This is a two-year Fellowship working in the Seattle, Washington office, and the Fellow is expected to commit to the full term. **The deadline to apply for the 2013 Fellowship is March 25, 2013.** The Fellowship will begin in Fall 2013.

The EPA Region 10 Honors Attorney Fellowship is designed for a recent law school graduate with excellent academic credentials and strong interests in an environmental law career and public service. It provides an opportunity for entry-level attorneys to practice law in a leading governmental environmental organization, and to receive extensive training in and exposure to environmental law and policy work in the public sector. Region 10 offers new attorneys significant responsibility, the opportunity to handle a challenging caseload that includes enforcement and counseling work, and extensive training and mentoring from experienced colleagues with recognized expertise. EPA offers a diverse and supportive work environment.

EPA Region 10 Office of Regional Counsel

The Office of Regional Counsel is responsible for preparing administrative, judicial, and criminal cases against violators of environmental laws. These cases require the development and use of technical and legal strategies for negotiation and litigation. The primary statutes enforced by EPA are the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Safe Drinking Water Act, Toxic Substances Control Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (Superfund), and Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. The Office of Regional Counsel works collaboratively with state, tribal, and local governments to implement national environmental laws.

In addition to preparing enforcement actions, attorneys are responsible for counseling the Regional Administrator and Program Directors on the interpretation of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. Furthermore, attorneys are expected to participate in civil or criminal litigation of cases referred to the Department of Justice and to represent the Agency in administrative proceedings. The Office of Regional Counsel employs approximately 40 attorneys, plus support staff. Attorney caseloads are not confined to one industry, statute, state, or tribe. The Region consists of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, and more than 270 Tribal governments.

Eligibility

All students scheduled to graduate from an ABA-accredited law school in December 2012 or Spring/Summer 2013, and recent graduates who are completing judicial clerkships, are eligible

to apply for the Honors Attorney Fellowship. Fellows must be bar members, or have membership pending or awaiting bar exam results (of any State, U.S. territory, Puerto Rico or the District of Columbia) at the time of appointment.

Pay

After admission to a bar of any State, U.S. territory, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia, the salary will be at the GS-11 level (currently starting at \$ 61,255 per year). Current judicial law clerks may qualify for a higher grade. Relocation expenses are not authorized.

Application Process

Please submit the following no later than **March 25, 2013**:

- Resume, including significant accomplishments, academic and work experience, class rank (if available), contact telephone number, and e-mail address.
- Official or unofficial transcript of law school grades.
- Cover letter explaining the applicant's interest in the Fellowship. Address it to "Hiring Coordinator."
- Name, address, and telephone numbers of three references, including a current or former employer and a law school professor or advisor.
- If you are a veteran, appropriate documentation such as DD214 (copy 4), your VA letter, or Standard Form 15 (disabled veteran).

The first round of interviews will be conducted by telephone starting in April. Finalists must provide an official transcript and a writing sample. We hope to make a selection in May 2013.

Applications for the Region 10 Honors Attorney Fellowship must be e-mailed to:

R10fellowship@epa.gov

Do NOT send your application through your law school's on-line application system; you must send the application **directly** to **R10fellowship@epa.gov**.

For any questions, please send an email to R10fellowship@epa.gov with "Inquiry" in the subject line of the email.

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EPA is an equal opportunity employer. Selection for this position will be based solely on merit without regard to race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin, political affiliation, disability, sexual orientation, marital or family status, or other differences.